

Attorney's Docket No. 8867-8C

PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re: Fenderson et al.  
Serial No.: Applied For  
Filed: Concurrently Herewith  
For: **HERICIDAL COMPOSITIONS**

August 15, 1997

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Dear Sirs:

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the title to read --Synergistic  
Herbicidal Compositions of Dimethenamid--.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please delete Claims 1-16 and add the following:

17. A method of controlling undesired plant growth in the presence of a crop comprising applying to the locus of said undesired plant growth a herbicidally effective aggregate amount of dimethenamid and a triketone or dione herbicide wherein the application rate of dimethenamid is from 0.1 to 3.0 kg/ha and the application rate of the triketone or dione is from 0.05 to 2.0 kg/ha.

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18. A method according to claim 17 wherein the triketone or dione is selected from the group consisting of 2-(2-chloro-4-methanesulfonylbenzoyl)-1,3-cyclohexanedione; 2-(4-methylsulfonyloxy-2-nitrobenzoyl)-4,4,6,6-tetramethyl-1,3-cyclohexane; 3-(4-methylsulfonyloxy-2-nitrobenzoyl)-bicyclo[3,2,1]octane-2,4-dione; 3-(4-methylsulfonyl-2-nitrobenzoyl)-bicyclo[3,2,1]octane-2,4-dione; 4-(4-chloro-2-nitrobenzoyl)-2,6,6-trimethyl-2H-1,2-oxazine-